AMENDMENT IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-78 (cancelled).

79. (new) A method comprising:

receiving an input signal from a network, the input signal comprising an embedded force feedback command;

extracting the force feedback command from the input signal; and generating an output signal associated with the force feedback command.

- 80. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the input signal is associated with at least one of a web page, a java applet, and an ActiveX control.
- 81. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the network comprises the Internet.
- 82. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the output signal is operable to cause a manipulandum to output a force.
- 83. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the output signal is operable to cause a force to be output in a simulation device comprising a processor.
- 84. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the input signal is a first input signal and further comprising receiving a second input signal from a manipulandum.
- 85. (new) The method of claim 84, wherein the output signal is further associated with the second input signal.
- 86. (new) The method of claim 79, wherein the force feedback command comprises a first force feedback command and further comprising:

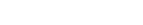
receiving the output signal; and

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overriding the first force feedback command with a second force feedback command.

- 87. (new) The method of claim 86, wherein the first force feedback command comprises an authored force feedback command.
- 88. (new) The method of claim 86, wherein the second force feedback command comprises a generic force feedback command.
- 89. (new) The method of claim 86, further comprising generating a force feedback effect associated with the second force feedback command.
- 90. (new) The method of claim 79, further comprising: receiving the output signal; and generating a force feedback effect.
- 91. (new) A method comprising: receiving a force feedback command; embedding the force feedback command in an output signal; and transmitting the output signal to a network.
- 92. (new) The method of claim 91, wherein the output signal is associated with at least one of a web page, a java applet, and an ActiveX control.
- 93. (new) The method of claim 91, wherein the network comprises the Internet.
- 94. (new) The method of claim 91, wherein the force feedback command comprises an authored force feedback command.



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95. (new) A computer-readable medium storing instructions to cause a processor to:

receive an input signal from a network, the input signal comprising an embedded force feedback command;

extract the force feedback command from the input signal; and generate an output signal associated with the force feedback command.

96. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 95, wherein the input signal is a first input signal and further comprising instructions to receive a second input signal from a manipulandum.

97. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 95, wherein the force feedback command comprises a first force feedback command and further comprising instructions to:

receive the output signal; and
override the first force feedback command with a second force feedback
command.

98. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 97, wherein the first force feedback command comprises an authored force feedback command.

99. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 97, wherein the second force feedback command comprises a generic force feedback command.

100. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 97, further comprising instructions to generate a force feedback effect associated with the second force feedback command.

101. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 95, further comprising instructions to:

receive the output signal; and generate a force feedback effect.

102. (new) A computer-readable medium storing instructions to cause a processor to:
receive a force feedback command;
embed the force feedback command in an output signal; and
transmit the output signal to a network.

103. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 102, wherein the output signal is associated with at least one of a web page, a java applet, and an ActiveX control.

104. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 102, wherein the network comprises the Internet.

105. (new) The computer-readable medium of claim 102, wherein the force feedback command comprises an authored force feedback command.